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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

This Amendment addresses the Office Action dated April 7, 2004 (Paper No. 5).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/ATT/2000-0556 the fee for \$ 110.00 for a one month extension. Although Applicant believes no additional fees are due in connection with this Amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782 for any such fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.